

**Department of Community and Economic Development
Development Services Division
ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY/CODE INTERPRETATION**

CODE SECTIONS: Renton Municipal Code Chapter 4-5, RCW 19-28.141

SUBJECT: Adoption of 2014 National Electrical Code

BACKGROUND: The 2014 National Electrical Code (NEC) becomes effective state wide on July 1, 2014. Renton is working with other local building departments in the Washington Association of Building Officials (WABO) to complete our proposed amendments to the new NEC code. This work is expected to be completed late in August of this year. The formal city adoption of the new electrical code is anticipated to occur later this year.

JUSTIFICATION: To resolve the discrepancy between state mandated adoption of the 2014 National Electrical Code, and formal city adoption of the code with local amendments, adoption of the 2014 National Electrical Code by interpretation is warranted. The existing local amendments will still apply as reasonably applied to the 2014 National Electrical Code.

DECISION: The 2014 National Electrical Code will be enforced per State law effective July 1, 2014. The existing local amendments will remain effective, with application to the corresponding code citations in the revised 2014 code.

**DIRECTOR
APPROVAL:** _____
Neil Watts

DATE: _____

**APPEAL
PROCESS:** To appeal this determination, a written appeal -- accompanied by the required filing fee -- must be filed with the City's City Clerk no later than 14 days from the date of this decision. Your submittal should explain the basis for the appeal. Section 4-8-110 of the Renton Municipal Code provides further information on the appeal process.